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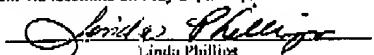
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Michael GREENSTEIN et al.	) Group Art Unit: 1641
Application No.: 09/981,440	) Examiner: Ann Y. LAM
Filed: October 16, 2001	) Confirmation No.: 5699
For: THERMAL REGULATION OF	)
FLUIDIC SAMPLES WITHIN A	)
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Applicants enclose the following document for filing in the above-referenced application:

- 1) Applicant Initiated Interview Request Form (one page).

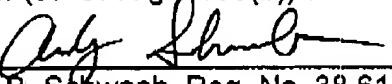
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Applicant Initiated Interview Request Form					
Application No.: <u>09/981,440</u>	Examiner: <u>Ann Y. LAM</u>				
First Named Applicant: <u>Michael Greenstein</u>	Group Art Unit: <u>1641</u>				
Status of Application: <u>Pending, under final rejection</u>					
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(3) <u>Dominique Freeman</u>	(4) _____				
Proposed Date of Interview: <u>Thursday 06/01/06</u>			Proposed Time: <u>1:30 pm EDT</u>		
Type of Interview Requested:			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Telephonic <input type="checkbox"/> Personal <input type="checkbox"/> Video Conference		
Exhibit to be Shown or Demonstrated?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
Issues to be Discussed					
Issues (Rej., Obj. etc.)	Claims/Fig. #s	Prior Art	Discussed	Agreed	Not Agreed
1. <u>§103</u>	<u>Cl. 1-2, 6-18, 23-24</u>	<u>Zou/Austin/Laugharn</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. <u>§103</u>	<u>Cl. 3-5</u>	<u>[above] + Miyazaki</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. _____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Continuation Sheet Attached					
<b>Brief Description of Arguments to be Presented:</b>					
Applicants assert that the invention as claimed is not obvious over the cited combination of references, <i>Zou et al.</i> , <i>Austin et al.</i> , <i>Laugharn et al.</i> and/or <i>Miyazaki et al.</i> . Further, if the Examiner is amenable, Applicants will also present, or be prepared to present, additional clarifications to the claims and associated arguments, which would even further distinguish the cited references.					
An interview was conducted on the above-identified application on: _____.					
<u>Note:</u> This form should be completed by applicant and submitted to the Examiner in advance of the interview (see MPEP § 713.01). This application will not be delayed from issue because of applicant's failure to file a statement of the substance of this interview (37 CFR § 1.133(b)) as soon as possible.					
 <u>Andrew B. Schwaab, Reg. No. 38,611</u> <u>Date: May 26, 2006</u>			<u>Examiner/SPE Signature</u>		